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| In re Patent Application of      | ) MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE        |
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| Keitaro Aoshima                  | ) Group Art Unit: 1752       |
| Application No.: 09/847,411      | ) Examiner: AMANDA C WALKE ´ |
| Filed: May 3, 2001               | ) Confirmation No.: 5483     |
| For: PLANOGRAPHIC PRINTING PLATE | )<br>}                       |

#### REQUEST TO COMPLETE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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In reviewing the application identified above upon allowance, the undersigned has noted:

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Respectfully submitted,

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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

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### SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information as cited in a corresponding European Search Report in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the foreign documents cited is enclosed. Please note, EP 0 854 388, cited in the search report, has already been considered in this application on November 20, 2002, as U.S. Patent No. 6,068,963.

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The documents are being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) a statement is enclosed.

I, the undersigned, hereby state that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application and that this communication was not received by any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than 30 (thirty) days prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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